

# IOWA NATIONAL GUARD STATE TEEN PANEL (STP)

## Position Overview



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## CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAM VISION & MISSION

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**Vision** | We exist to make a positive and lasting impact on every military-connected youth across Iowa.

**Mission** | We advocate for military youth, teach life skills, program events, and manage resources.

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## CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAM CORE VALUES

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We will do everything with a relevant, innovative, and professional mindset.

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| Relevant     |  | <i>“But we’ve always done it this way...”</i>            | - | <i>We listen to the customer, and respond to their specific needs.</i> |
| Innovative   |  | <i>“Continue to creativate.”</i>                         | - | <i>We are original, modern and constantly improving our skills.</i>    |
| Professional |  | <i>“Always ready for the TAG to make an appearance.”</i> | - | <i>We provide expert, skillful and efficient services.</i>             |

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## STP ROLE OBJECTIVE

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The STP exists to help the LCYPC (Lead Child & Youth Program Coordinator) and CYPC fulfill the Child and Youth Program (CYP) mission and vision by assisting in event planning and execution, strengthening their personal leadership skills, and ultimately being a voice for Iowa’s military-connected youth.

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## STP KEY RESULTS

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The STP position is held for one year. The member can then choose to reapply for additional years after. During the year they are expected to:

- Be an advocate for key challenges that military-connected youth currently face.
- Develop leadership, teamwork, and networking skills.
- Take part in selected events sponsored by the CYP.
- Participate in all meetings.
- Be actively pursuing public service in and around their community.

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## SCHEDULE

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### Meet At Least Quarterly

These meetings will consist of two in-person gatherings and two tele/video calls. They will include leadership training, MOMC and PurpleUP planning, resilience and life skill teaching, opportunities to discuss military-connected youth issues, and ways for teens to connect with other Military-connected teens.

### Summer Regional Conference

Every year the STPs from Region 7 (Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, and Illinois) gather for a four day conference in June. The location rotates between states. The goal of this event is to foster connection and ideas. Program guidelines allow 10 members to participate when Iowa hosts the conference and 5 members to participate when it is out-of-state.

### Plan and participate in selected CYP events

Throughout the year, the STP will have opportunities to help plan, execute and/or volunteer at CYP events. We require participation in at least one of these events each year and will work to offer events within a 2 hour driving distance from the member’s home location.

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## REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

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- Applicant must be between the ages of 13 and 17.
- Applicant must be a Military connected youth (a dependent, sibling, and/or stepchild) of an Army or Air Force National Guard Soldier).
- Applicant must be able to commit to the objective, key results, and schedule listed in the position overview document.